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**LOCAL MAN PLEADS GUILTY TO CHILD PORNOGRAPHY POSSESSION**

United States Attorney Johnny Sutton announced that 39-year-old Eagle Pass resident, Steven Garcia, plead guilty to child pornography charges. Sentencing has been scheduled for March 16, 2009.

Garcia subscribed to a website known to distribute child pornography. A search warrant executed on his computer, which was located at his residence in Eagle Pass, Texas, resulted in a finding of child pornography on the computer. A forensic analysis of the computer later revealed 30 child pornographic movie files and 47 child pornographic images. The analysis also revealed 57 web page banners of visited websites containing advertisements and/or text consistent with child pornographic material.

This case was investigated by the Office of the Texas Attorney General (OAG) Cyber Crimes Unit and is being prosecuted for the government by Assistant United States Attorney Robert Brady as part of the Project Safe Childhood initiative.

Project Safe Childhood (PSC) aims to combat the proliferation of technology-facilitated sexual exploitation crimes against children. The threat of sexual predators soliciting children for physical sexual contact is well-known and serious; the danger of the production, distribution, and possession of child pornography is equally dramatic and disturbing. The response to these growing problems must be coordinated, comprehensive, and robust. It must aim to investigate and prosecute vigorously, and protect and assist victimized children. At the same time, it must recognize the need for a broad, community-based effort to protect our children and to guarantee to future generations the opportunities of the American dream.

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